

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1014 - SB 1714

March 26, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires a law enforcement officer making a lawful traffic stop to request verification of the person's immigration status if the person fails to provide an unexpired driver license and the officer has reasonable suspicion to believe that the person is unlawfully present in the United States. Requires seizure and impoundment of the vehicle upon verification that the person is unlawfully present in the United States. Applies existing notification and forfeiture procedures regarding disposition of the vehicle.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Requiring law enforcement officers to verify the immigration status of a detained individual when certain factors are present will not have a significant impact on current procedures.
- According to the Department of Safety, the Department can revise its policies and provide information regarding the new law to the Tennessee Highway Patrol during the annual in-service training without a significant fiscal impact to the Department.
- The number of seized vehicles eventually forfeited and public auction proceeds distributed to the arresting law enforcement agency will not be significant.
- Processing seized vehicles through existing notice, claims, and forfeiture procedures will not result in a significant impact on the respective state and local departments and can be accommodated within existing resources.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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